

Media Advisory

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WHAT: Speed Limit Reduction on Interstate 5 in Siskiyou County

The California Department of Transportation has lowered the maximum speed limit on Interstate 5 between Yreka and the Oregon border to 55-MPH. Due to less than desirable pavement conditions at isolated locations in both directions of travel between the Oregon State line and the Shasta River Bridge, just north of Yreka, the existing 65-MPH speed limit was lowered. Routine pavement reviews by Caltrans engineers produced less than desirable skid test numbers at several locations along Interstate 5, north of Yreka. As a preventative measure the existing 65-MPH speed limit on this section of freeway was reduced to 55-MPH. New speed limit signs, changeable message signs and Highway Advisory Radios have been placed along the freeway to inform motorists of the reduction in speed. The California Highway Patrol will monitor the area and enforce the 55-MPH limit.

WHEN: Wednesday July 3, 2002

WHERE: Interstate 5, Siskiyou County, from one mile north of Yreka at the Shasta

River Bridge to the Oregon State Line. Both north and southbound lanes are

affected.